

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the paragraph at page 6, line 12:

FIGURE 4 is a flowchart illustrating formation of a cathode assembly according to at least one embodiment of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, line 2 with the following paragraph:

The present invention is directed to an improved method of manufacturing FEDs. FIGURE 2 illustrates either one of the anode or cathode panel assemblies indicated generally at 100 of an FED in an intermediate stage of manufacture. Additional reference should be had to FIGURE 4, which illustrates a process for forming a cathode panel assembly according to at least one embodiment of the present invention. The panel 100 includes a central active area or region 102 containing the display array components such as, e.g., micropoints. (A representative portion of the central region of an FED is shown in FIGURE 1.) The panel 100 also includes a peripheral or outer area 104 surrounding the central active area 102. The peripheral area 104 typically contains larger structures not requiring the stringent process controls needed in making the structures of the active central area.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached drawing sheet labeled Fig. 4 illustrates the features requested by the Office Action.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet